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EDITORIALS

Sorry To See You Go . . .

Fred Bagnall, and we appreciate the service you have given Farmington.

These are the words of a City and its officials and citizens. Words of appreciation to a man who has devoted over 12 years of continuous service to Farmington as a commissioner and a citizen.

Fred Bagnall resigned last Wednesday evening from the city commission for a much needed rest. The Commission accepted his resignation with regrets. In doing so they expressed not only their own feelings, but the feelings of a community.

His untiring efforts to establish and maintain the City of Farmington on a sound economic basis has given this community an outstanding record. Farmington is better prepared to meet the ever-growing requirements of an expanding community, thanks to his interest and hard work.

Fred Bagnall will be missed, his faith in Farmington, his friendly encouragement, his sound advice. He has contributed much in 12 years to make this a better community in which to live. His reward, the only reward a man ever has, is the many friends he will always have in Farmington and the satisfaction of a job well done.

Farmington is sorry to see you go, Fred Bagnall, we wish you all the luck in the world, and we want you to feel that Farmington is home, because you helped to make it that way.

The President Laughed . . .

as most people do when an embarrassing question puts them on the spot. But the answer that followed was far from a laugh.

The incident occurred when President Truman tried to comment on former President Herbert Hoover's talk last week. On the Hoover statement regarding the Nation's turn toward collectivism, all the President could do was laugh and say he didn't know what it meant.

It is hard to believe that the President didn't know what Hoover meant, especially when it was all in good straight forward English. It is easier to believe that he didn't want to know what it meant. Too often lately, the administration has laughed and shrugged its shoulders at any statement that called a spade a spade.

Truman thought that Hoover's remarks were funny, but he didn't know what they meant. It might be well for him to find out what they meant. The American people know and they have spoken in thousands from every part of this Nation. They know the vast extent of government spending, the size of the slice out of every workingman's dollar, the raft of government office holders.

They know and they see where it is taking a nation, whether the President does or not. The people aren't laughing either, Mr. President. It's beyond the embarrassing stage. Unless we wise up and soon, we, too, may join the ranks of the floundering ships of the world. Look at England, study her well, state control, yes, and floundering almost helplessly.

Wise men speak, and some can only laugh, but more and more must think and see and act if we are to come out of the storm with a mast to drive us forward and rudder to keep us on the course.

The Bear Is Prowling . . .

again in her ever expanding den. But there is one corner she always slides around quick like.

Of course she has to growl a bit and sound as rough and tough as possible, but that's where it stops. The corner known as Yugoslavia is dark and pretty frightening. The bear made one mistake on one of her earlier visits, the mistake of barging in. She hasn't forgotten it.

Now she sits outside and growls. All the rest of the domain seems to be nice and peaceful, all her own, but not the dark corner. It apparently bothers her too, because she sure tries to scare 'em out. It has worked everywhere else but not here.

In fact, right now she is raising the loudest racket yet. It kind of hurts her dignity not to have run of the whole place. But she just can't quite forget that mistake she made before.

Churches

NOVI BAPTIST CHURCH
M. J. Remels, Pastor
Sunday Church Services at the usual hour. Morning, 10:30; Evening, 7:00 (Youth Service) and 8:00 o'clock.
Wednesday, Prayer Meeting at the church, 8:00 p.m.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
Middlebelt at Eight Mile Road
Rev. W. Rutkowski, Pastor
Sunday School 9:30 a.m., nursery to senior departments.
Divine services 9:30 and 10:45 a.m.
Lutheran hour broadcast at 12:30 Sunday noon, over CKLW.

FIRST METHODIST
Rev. A. Stander, Minister
10:15 a.m. Sunday School, all grades, in downstairs rooms.
10:15 a.m. Morning Worship.
10:15 a.m. Nursery.
Youth Fellowship at 6:30 p.m. Sunday.
Thursday, 7:30 p.m., choir rehearsal at the church.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
25600 Grand River Avenue
Corner of Imperial Hwy.
Victor P. Halbroth, Pastor
Early Service, 8:45 a.m.
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Late Service, 11 a.m.

ORCHARD METHODIST MISSION
Thirteen Mile Road at Greenlawn.
10:30 a.m. Morning service for everyone.
6:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship.
Nursery for small children.

FARMINGTON ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Grand River at Middlebelt
Rev. Orville J. Windell, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.

CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST CHURCH
Cambridge and Grand River
Farmington, Michigan
Elsie A. Johns, Pastor
Wilmu A. Johns, Organist
10:00 a.m., large, enthusiastic Sunday School.
11:15 a.m., the Morning Worship.
6:30 p.m., the International Youth Fellowship, the Wesley Adult Fellowship.
7:30 p.m., the Evening Service.
7:45 p.m., every Wednesday evening, the Prayer Service.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
23701 Cass Avenue
Farmington
11:00 a.m., Morning Services
8:00 p.m., Wednesday Evening Testimonial Meeting.
Reading Room Hours, Tuesday and Saturday, 1:30 to 4:00 p.m.
"Mind" will be the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Christian Science Churches throughout the world on Sunday, August 21.
The Golden Text (Romans 11:34) is: "Who hath known the mind of the Lord, and of great power: his understanding is infinite."

FIRST BAPTIST
"The Friendly Church"
Rev. Fred B. Fisher, Pastor
Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School at 11:15 a.m.
Youth Fellowship at 6:30 p.m.
Evening Service at 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Midweek services at 8 p.m.
Friday, Senior choir rehearsal at 8 p.m.

SALEM EVANGELICAL CHURCH
"The Church on the Park"
Rev. Carl H. Schulz, Pastor
Rev. John W. D. E. Organist
Mr. G. C. Oldemaster, Bd. Pres.
Mr. E. B. Tyler, Dir. of Rel. Ed.
A nursery department is maintained during the Morning worship.
Morning Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.
Church School, 11:15 a.m.
Youth Fellowship, Sunday evening.
Aim and Purpose of Salem Church
Help seeking people, through beautiful services, come close to God and to human comrades in worship.
Help seeking people learn the truths by which they may live brave, happy and useful lives.
Help seeking people gain strength by which they may become that which they have learned they ought to be.
Help seeking people find comfort in sorrow, courage in struggle, joy in victory.
Help seeking people come into union with Christ, their Master and Friend.
This, being our aim and purpose, we invite you to "Come and See."
Go to the Church of your choice, but go to Church.

ST. MARTIN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Lenore and Curtis Aves., Detroit (Five Minutes from Bus Station)
Rev. James H. Morris, Vicar
8:30 a.m. Holy Communion.
10:00 a.m. Morning prayer. First Sunday, Holy Communion.
Classes for small children during the service.

In a Dark Part of the Forest



Washington Merry-Go-Round

By DREW PEARSON

JUSTICE MURPHY
I have paid tribute many times to Frank Murphy when he was living, but it seems difficult to write about him now that he is dead. One reason is that it is hard to realize that he is gone. A lot of people will miss Frank Murphy. His family will miss him. His liberal friends on the supreme court will miss him. But most of all, the little people of the world will miss him.

Shortly after Frank was appointed to the supreme court, he took me into his study in the Washington hotel, and pointed to a stack of law books.

"That's where I spend my evenings," he said. "The newspapers say that I'm no lawyer. They make fun of my legal ability. But they're going to be proud of my opinions," he continued.

There was something of the boy in Frank Murphy—to the very end. He loved praise, hated criticism, and was always a little worried as to what kind of supreme court justice he would be. He shouldn't have been, for I am sure that some of Frank's dissents will stand up—his so ardently hoped—alongside the ringing defenses of freedom written by Holmes. More important, Frank Murphy will always be known as one of our great champions of the common man.

Murphy became attorney general in January, 1935, and immediately launched the biggest political cleanup in this country has ever seen. U.S. Judge Martin T. Stanton, of the second circuit court in New York had been getting away with graft for years. Many people knew this, but other attorneys general had let it pass.

In Louisiana, this column had exposed shocking graft by the old Huey Long gang. Frank Murphy took the columns with surprising affidavits, called a grand jury, flew to New Orleans himself, and in record time convicted Gov. Richard Leche, the Democratic national committeeman, the head of WPA, the president of the state university, and several others.

In Missouri, the newspapers had talked about the graft of the Pendergast machine, but Washington paid no attention. But, under Frank Murphy, a tough district attorney Maurice Milligan of Kansas City got justice department support, and Tom Pendergast ended up behind the bars.

Murphy also moved into Atlantic City against G.O.P. Boss Nucky Johnson, and started to move against Boss Hague in Jersey City and Mayor Kelly in Chicago. The latter two were democrats.

KICKED UPSTAIRS
It was widely rumored when Frank Murphy retired, as attorney general to join the supreme court that he was "kicked upstairs" in order to protect the Democratic (Continued on Page Five)

OUR LADY OF SORROWS
Rev. Thomas P. Branan, Pastor
Sunday Masses: 7:00 a.m., 8:30, 10:00, 11:15 and 12:30.
Holy Day Masses: 5:30, 7:00, 8:00 and 9:30 a.m.
Daily Masses: 6:30 and 8:00.

WEST POINT PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST
J. Scott Green, Minister
Bible Study, 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.
Sunday evening Service, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday evening Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.

LIVONIA METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Cadman Prout, Pastor
West Seven Mile Road
Just East of Farmington Road
10:30 a.m. — Morning Worship and Sunday School held at the same hour.
Nursery School for children over three. Everyone welcome.

BIBLE COMMENT FOR AUG. 21

Christ Showed Glories of God In Beauty of Nature

THE German poet, Goethe, called nature "the living garment of God."

One cannot read the story of Jesus in the Gospels without realizing how essentially the divine ministry was of earth, as well as of heaven. It was not in classrooms, nor even in synagogues or temples, that the most distinctive teachings of Jesus were given. He talked with His disciples as they went through the fields, speaking of the flowers, the grain, the harvest. He discoursed of worship in spirit, and even announced His messiahship, as He sat talking with the Samaritan at Jacob's Well. This was all as it should have been in that time and place, in the genial outdoor atmosphere of that little land of Palestine, in an age that had not yet developed the equipment, gadgets, and ways that have made life, religion, and education more confined to walls.

TWO things were very real to the Psalmists and Prophets—one was the law of God and His providence in nature, the universe a manifestation of law and order. And the other reality, corresponding to this, but deeper, was the law of God in the heart, the assurance of right and wrong in life and conduct.

It must be evident to any careful observer that in all, or most, of this we have departed far from the essential Hebrew and Christian view of God and nature.

It is not the religion of the out-of-doors, but the irreligion of so much of the out-of-doors, that mostly characterizes our modern way.

How much in this, as in other things, we need to learn from those who found a joy, and a pleasure in His world, that few today attain. So much of our life is an escape, rather than a discovery and attainment.

MICHIGAN MIRROR



INTERPRETING THE NEWS

By GENE ALLEMAN

Governor Williams is not Michigan's first governor to enjoy talking at luncheons and dinners, crowning festive queens and otherwise being the answer to a program chairman's prayer. Kim Sigler used to thrive on these things even while the legislature was thrashing about at Lansing.

Williams struck to the job faithfully while solons were in town. But he waived aside all arguments in June and July for a speaking schedule that resembled a barnstorming trip. Like Sigler, he prefers travel by airplane.

The governor's staff is now convinced that many voters prefer to have their governor "work at the job." Result: Fewer speaking engagements are being booked. "Soupy" west fall. The governor and his family are reading during August at the governor's home on Mackinac Island.

When to call the legislature into special session is a decision yet to be made. The governor insists Michigan should enact a new tax immediately. It is to avert financial chaos next spring. He plugs vigorously for a corporation income tax rather than a personal and sales tax, and definitely positions as not favoring a "snak the consumer" levy.

Even if the legislature were to adopt a flat personal income tax, says the governor, taxpayers would soon favor a graduated income tax by constitutional amendment.

Victor Knox, speaker of the house of representatives, is convinced Michigan voters would never approve a tax boost or a new tax until a need had been demonstrated. A treasury deficit will furnish such proof, says Knox. This year's deficit influenced Republican legislators, he said recently, to sidestep the issue of new taxes until 1950.

If this strategy is adhered to, Republican legislative leaders will await 1950 to see how much money is needed and then cut the cloth according. To do anything now so the argument goes, is to guess at a future development.

But 1950 is also re-election year for many legislators, all with state elective officials. To impose a new tax in an election year is regarded by some as something next to political heresy.

The more the Republicans wait, the more their opponents are going to lambast the party for protecting big corporations from a tax on their profits. Governor Williams wishes to put the G.O.P. on the defensive in 1950. He has been hammering away at the corporation tax consistently in 1949 speaking tours.

A week or so ago we had the opportunity to swing into the Upper Peninsula as far west as Marquette and Escanaba. Everywhere we were asked about Secretary of State Fred M. Alger, Jr., and State Treasurer D. Hale Drake, two prospective candidates for governor in the Republican primary next spring. Also: "Is Dr. Keyes going to run for governor this time?"

Aside from saying that Alger, (Continued on Page Five)

Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

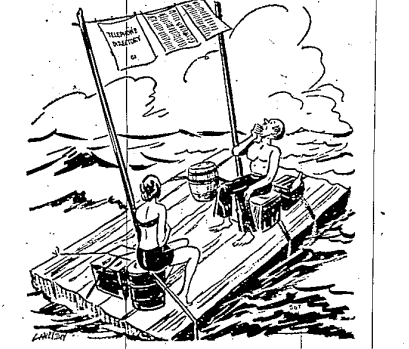
TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO (August 22, 1924)
Booze Runner Comes To Grief
A flat tire got Lewis Kieranski of Saginaw in bad here last Tuesday night. As a result of the blowout, there is one more bootlegger in jail at Pontiac, 450 quarts of per cent. C. Farmington beer in the county warehouse, and a Ford touring car waiting confiscation. Marshall Krueger noticed a car parked at the side of Grand River Avenue. As the car appeared to be unusually heavily laden, he asked the motorist what was in it and was unhesitatingly informed "20 cases of beer."

Fire Destroys Home
The home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stolz at Clarenceville was completely destroyed with all its contents by fire about 10:30 Sunday evening. The fire was caused by a leaky oil stove. Mrs. Stolz escaped in her night clothes. The loss is covered by fire insurance.

TEN YEARS AGO (August 24, 1939)
High School Space Enlarged
With the completion of the new gymnasium-auditorium of the Farmington High School, classroom conditions will be considerably improved in regard to crowded rooms. The large room on the second floor of the high school building which was to be the gymnasium has been transformed into three large, sunny classrooms. Two of these rooms will be used for the commercial department, typing and bookkeeping. In addition there will be a small room which will house the school's mimeographing department.

Farmington To Have Kiwanis Club
A unit of Kiwanis Club will be officially organized in Farmington in a ceremony Thursday evening at the Salem Evangelical Church. New Farmington members will be installed by members of the Strathmore Kiwanis Club. A dinner is tendered the Farmington group by the Strathmore club, will be held at 7 p.m. in the church.

FIVE YEARS AGO (August 24, 1945)
Special School Election Called
A special meeting of the qualified electors of School District No. 6 of Farmington Township has been called for Monday, August 28, at 12:30 p.m. Two propositions will be submitted for the approval of voters in the district. The first proposition asks for approval to borrow \$10,000 for the purpose of erecting and furnishing an additional wing to the William Grey School. The second asks for an increase in tax levy to 2.7 per cent of the assessed valuation, for a period of five years, 1945 to 1949 inclusive.



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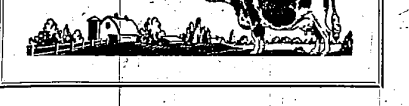
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